

BRENTWOOD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting of September 14, 2016

Members in attendance: Doug Cowie, Jeff Donald, Heather Dudley-Tatman, Heather Gilbert, Jody Kaufman, and Rob Wofchuck, chair

Selectmen's Rep in attendance:

Alternates in attendance: Reed Bunker

Public Present: Debbi Briscoe of the Trails Committee

Meeting convened at 7:10 PM

Dudley-Tatman moved to give Bunker voting rights. Kaufman seconded and the motion carried.

Donald moved the July minutes. Cowie seconded and the minutes were approved. Dudley-Tatman abstained.

Cowie moved the August minutes. Gilbert seconded and the minutes were approved.

Wofchuck presented a review of the current budget and the draft of the 2017 budget.

Cowie and Wofchuck provided an update on the open space.

Dudley-Tatman presented some information on the next steps for the land management plan prepared for the three town owned properties. Dudley-Tatman had spoken with Lenny Lord at the Rockingham County Conservation District (RCCD) and Jeff Littleton of Moosewood Ecological, LLC (Moosewood). Jeff recommended a vernal pool study and invasive species studies. The commission discussed next steps. Wofchuck moved to authorize Moosewood to complete a Vernal Pool Study at the Rec. Center. Cowie seconded and the motion passed. Further research into trail and other grants to be completed.

Wofchuck presented the SELT easement monitoring contract. He believes this was discussed before but had not been executed. The contract is set up with hourly rates and a not to exceed value. Donald moved to have Wofchuck sign the contract. Cowie seconded and the motion passed.

Wofchuck presented a bill from the South East Land Trust of New Hampshire (SELTNH) in the amount of \$107.75 to be paid from the easement monitoring budget. Cowie moved to pay the bill, Donald seconded and the motion carried.

Wofchuck asked for volunteers to prepare Newsletter Articles on any topics of their choice:

1. October –
2. November – Kaufman-Drought
3. December –
4. January –

At 8:20 PM Cowie moved to adjourn, Gilbert seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Heather Dudley-Tatman